

Commonwealth of Kentucky

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February 26, 2020

TO: DIVISION OF FILINGS

RE: Case No. 2020-00040

Application of Turkey Creek Solar, LLC for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Construct an Approximately 50 Megawatt Merchant Electric Solar Generating Facility in Garrard County, Kentucky Pursuant to KRS 278.700 and

807 KAR 5:110

Please file in the administrative record of the above-referenced case the enclosed copy of a letter from Chairman Michael J. Schmitt to Garrard County Judge Executive John Wilson dated February 24, 2020.

Sincerely,

Kent A. Chandler Executive Director

**Enclosures** 

cc: Parties of Record

Andy Beshear Governor

Rebecca W. Goodman Secretary Energy and Environment Cabinet



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February 24, 2020

Hon. John Wilson, Judge/Executive 15 Public Square Lancaster, Kentucky 40444

Re: Siting Board Case No. 2020-00040

Dear Judge Wilson:

As the Chairman of the Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC), I also serve as the Chairman of the Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting (Siting Board). Therefore, it is my duty to inform you that, on February 10, 2020, the Siting Board received a notice of intent from Turkey Creek Solar, LLC to file an application for a certificate to construct an approximately 50 megawatt merchant electric solar generation facility in Lancaster, Garrard County, Kentucky. A copy of the notice is enclosed herein.

The five permanent members of the Siting Board are myself; PSC Vice Chairman Robert Cicero; PSC Commissioner Talina R. Mathews; Secretary of the Energy and Environment Cabinet Rebecca W. Goodman (or her designee); and Interim Secretary of the Economic Development Cabinet Larry Hayes (or his designee).

In addition to the permanent members of the Siting Board, pursuant to KRS 278.702(1)(d)(1), upon receipt of a notice of intent to file an application with the Siting Board, the Governor must appoint two ad hoc public members to serve on the Siting Board for the duration of the case. Based on the facts as presented in the notice of intent, one of the ad hoc appointees must be the county judge/executive of Garrard County.

Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:110, Section 2, Turkey Creek Solar, LLC may file its application, at the earliest, 30 days from the date of its February 10, 2020 notice. The time limit mandated by KRS 278.710(1) requires the Siting Board to issue its decision granting or denying the application within either 120 days or 180 days (if a local public hearing is requested). Therefore, Governor Beshear will be appointing you as soon as is practicable.

Please let me know if I can provide you any additional information regarding this case. Any communications regarding this case may be directed either to me or Quang Nguyen, Assistant General Counsel, at (502) 782-2586. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Schmitt

Chairman

QN/kb Enclosure

cc: Governor Andy Beshear

Robert Cicero, Vice Chairman Public Service Commission Talina R. Mathews, Commissioner Public Service Commission Rebecca W. Goodman, Secretary Energy and Environment Cabinet Larry Hayes, Interim Secretary Economic Development Cabinet





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February 10, 2020

Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard P. O. Box 615 Frankfort, KY 40602 RECEIVED

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PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION

Re: Notice of Intent to File Application of Turkey Creek Solar, LLC for Certificate of Construction for: an approximately 50 Megawatt Merchant Electric Solar Generating Facility in Garrard County, Kentucky pursuant to KRS 278.700, et seq., and 807 KAR 5:110

To Whom It May Concern:

Turkey Creek Solar, LLC hereby submits for filing this Notice of Intent to file an application for a Certificate of Construction for an approximately 50 MW solar facility ("Turkey Creek Project").

a. The name, address and telephone number of the person who intends to file the application is:

Turkey Creek Solar, LLC 400 W. Main St., Suite 503 Durham, NC 27701

Phone: (919) 682-6822

Attention: Carson Harkrader, Chief Executive Officer

Email: charkrader@carolinasolarenergy.com

b. The proposed construction is briefly described as follows:

The Turkey Creek Project will consist of approximately 320 acres of solar photovoltaic panels and associated racking (approximately 50MW), 13 inverters, and a project substation transformer which will connect to East Kentucky Power Cooperative's Garrard County – Tommy Gooch 69kv transmission line near the City of Lancaster in Garrard County, Kentucky.

- c. The street address of the proposed Turkey Creek Project is 1928 Crab Orchard Road, Lancaster, KY 40444 and the latitude and longitude are 37°35'24.51"N, 84°34'34.41"W. The Turkey Creek Project is not located within the limits of any city.
- d. Garrard County has consented to extraterritorial jurisdiction to the City of Lancaster of up to two miles from the City Center, but Lancaster has not enacted any planning and zoning regulation applicable to the Turkey Creek Site. Lancaster's address is 308 W. Maple Street, Lancaster, KY 40444.
- e. There is no planning or zoning commission with jurisdiction over the site.
- f. There are no local set-back requirements applicable to this site.
- g. Pursuant to KRS 278.704(4), the applicant will request a deviation from the setback requirements found in KRS 278.704(2).

Thank you for accepting this Notice of Intent to File Application. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or need further information.

Very truly yours, STURGILL, TURNER, BARKER & MOLONEY, PLLC

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